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PAPER NO.

In re Application of

Mark Serpa

Serial No. 10/044,270

Filed: January 10, 2002

For: TOOL FOR TREATING A WATERCRAFT

SPEEDOMETER

DECISION

ON

PETITION

UNDER 708.02, VIII

This is in response to the petition filed March 15, 2003, requesting that the above-identified application be granted Special Status. The petition has been considered under Section 708.02 (VIII) of the MPEP and 37 CFR 1.102(d) (fee paid).

The petition has been found to be deficient for the following reason: Section 708.02, VIII(C) requires that a pre-examination search be made; this search should cover all areas searchable by the examiner. However, our review shows that Class 15, Subclasses 104.05, 104.16, 104.31, 104.001 and 236.01 should have been searched.

Accordingly, the petition is **DENIED**.

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